

What's Happening Wednesday

Kansas Immunization Program



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VFC Nurse on Call - Nurse on call is Betty Grindol at bgrindol@kdheks.gov
The Nurse on call next week is Stephanie Lambert at slambert@kdheks.gov
The Nurse on call can be reached at 785-296-5592



Chief Chat – As we attended the regional local public health meetings over the past couple of months, a question came up related to children who have insurance but have extraordinarily high deductibles. Scenarios that have been reported were that a child presents with insurance but a deductible of \$3,000 or more which would then require that the immunizations be paid out of pocket. We presented this scenario to CDC, and pointed out that this is a barrier to vaccination of children. While they stated they understand our concern, there is nothing that can be done to assist from the VFC program because the children have insurance.

We would like to continue to explore a means of resolving this barrier, but recognize that we really do not have enough data at KIP to understand the extent of this challenge. We are asking your assistance in gathering some data. If you have a child present for vaccination with a scenario similar to the one mentioned above, it would be very useful if you could submit some basic information to KIP. We would like to know the age of the child, the vaccine that should have been administered but was not, the size of the deductible and the insurance provider. Please email this information to vaccine@kdheks.gov so that we may better understand the barrier and find a solution.

Please remember that we are looking for you to present your best practices and experiences at the 2016 Kansas Immunization conference. With our theme, “Building a Community of Immunity”, we need our community of providers to be a part of the success. Please consider this opportunity and click [here](#) for the submission instructions and form. We have extended the deadline for submission of proposals to March 16, 2016. Each presentation selected will receive a complementary registration to the conference. We look forward to hearing from you.

As announced last week, the Northwest Region was the first to complete the annual enrollment process. The providers shown in the table were selected at random to each receive a complementary registration to the 2016 Kansas Immunization Conference in Salina on June 7 – 9, 2016. Congratulations to each of these providers and a huge thank you to all providers for your efforts to continue participation in the VFC program. Each of the organizations listed will receive a coupon in the mail to submit with your registration form for the conference.

PIN	Organization	County
0027	Ellsworth Co Health Dept	Ellsworth
6220	Goodland Family Health Center	Sherman
6007	Hays Med Family Medicine	Ellis
0042	Hodgeman Co Health Dept	Hodgeman
0045	Jewell Co Health Dept	Jewell
0068	Ness Co Health Dept	Ness
6231	Post Rock Family Medicine	Rooks
0077	Rawlins Co Health Dept	Rawlins
0091	Sherman Co Health Dept	Sherman
0098	Trego Co Health Dept	Trego

Finally, after 19 years of service with the Kansas Immunization Program, Betty Grindol, Regional Nurse Consultant for the South Central Region is retiring. Betty spent more than 23 years in Public Health Service, and we are thankful that she chose to spend the last 19 with us. Please join us in thanking Betty for all of her hard work, dedication and passion for immunizing the children of Kansas! Providers in the South Central Region should call 785-296-5592 if they need assistance or have questions.

Phil Griffin - Deputy Director, Bureau of Disease Control and Prevention

VFC Question of the Week-

Q: What is the temperature that frozen vaccines should be stored?

A: Varicella-containing vaccine should be stored frozen between -59° F and 5° F (-50° C and -15° C) The Sensitech datalogger monitors are configured to a lowest limit of -22° F. The monitor's digital read-out may go blank if it goes below -22° F. If this happens, take the monitor out of the freezer and let it warm up. As the monitor warms you should see that the LED display has returned. In the event that the monitor displays an X you need to download monitor, reconfigure and return the monitor to the freezer. While the monitor is warming up, adjust the temperature in the freezer to a slightly warmer setting. If this procedure does not resolve by doing these steps contact support@sensitech.com or call 1-800-843-8367.



“Current Issues in Vaccines” Webinar March 23rd-

The Vaccine Education Center (VEC) at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, together with the Pennsylvania chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, will present a one-hour webinar beginning at 11:00 a.m. (CT) on March 23. Part of its *Current Issues in Vaccines* series, the webinar will feature Paul Offit, MD, Director of VEC. Dr. Offit's topics for this webinar will be:

- * HPV vaccine: Is it time for a two-dose schedule?
- * Meningococcal serogroup B vaccines: The latest evidence
- * Influenza vaccines and egg allergy: An update

[Registration \(required\) is open now.](#)

(Free continuing education credits (CME, CEU, CPE) will be available for both the live and archived events.)

DID YOU KNOW

The clinic's "Vaccine Storage and Handling Worksheet" must be updated annually with a signature and date, or more frequently if there are changes. As the worksheet or storage and handling policies are updated please educate the clinic staff of the changes. An example is when thermometers are replaced, the re-calibration date needs to be updated on the worksheet. If you receive a new datalogger from KIP the re-calibration date is on the back of the monitors.

Vaccine-Preventable Disease Outbreaks —

Mumps – RILEY COUNTY: KDHE and Riley County Health Department are investigating an outbreak of mumps. Currently, three cases have been identified and linked to the outbreak (one resides in Johnson County). These three cases have close contact with one another and no documented transmission has been reported in the community. For updated case counts of infectious diseases reportable to Infectious Disease Epidemiology and Response, please visit the KDHE webpage at http://www.kdheks.gov/epi/case_reports_by_county.htm. Please note these numbers are preliminary and are subject to change based on case review. For any questions about reporting or for technical assistance please call the KDHE epidemiology hotline at 877-427-7317.

Chelsea Raybern, MPH, Advanced Epidemiologist Bureau of Epidemiology and Public Health Informatics

Influenza Surveillance- On the Rise

Influenza-like illness continues to increase in Kansas as was reported by the Influenza-like Illness Network (ILINet) sites. Influenza-like illness is defined as a fever (≥ 100 degrees F) and the presence of a cough and/or sore throat. ILINet sites also submit up to two specimens for testing at the Kansas Health and Environmental Laboratories (KHEL). During the week ending March 5th, ILINet sites reported 3.0% of visits were due to influenza-like illness. To date, KHEL has confirmed 42 positive influenza specimens including 33 A/H1, 6 A/H3, and 3 influenza B during the 2015-2016 season. Stay updated on influenza activity in Kansas at www.kdheks.gov/flu/surveillance.htm.

Amie Worthington-KDHE Medical Investigator

Influenza Vaccine Available—

Updates to the available doses will be posted weekly in the What's Happening Wednesday newsletter. If you have questions regarding FluMist delays, how flu orders are filled, and availability, please refer to the 2015-2016 Seasonal Flu communication or contact Jackie Strecker at 877-296-0464 or vaccine@kdheks.gov.

We currently have stock in the following presentations:



2015-2016 PEDIATRIC SEASONAL FLU CHART - UPDATED 3/9/16

Manufacturer	Brand	NDC	Age	Presentation	VFC Available	CHIP Available
GSK	Fluarix Quad (IIV4)	58160-0903-52	36mos+	10 1 dose syringes	0	0
Novartis	Fluvirin (IIV3)	66521-0118-02	4 years +	10 1 dose syringes	120	0
Sanofi	Fluzone Quad (IIV4)	49281-0415-10	36mos+	10 1 dose vials	0	0
Sanofi	Fluzone Quad (IIV4)	49281-0415-50	36mos+	10 1 dose syringes	0	0
Sanofi	Fluzone Quad (IIV4)	49281-0515-25	6-35mos	10 1 dose syringes	650	0
Sanofi	Fluzone Quad (IIV4)	49281-0623-15	6mos+	10 dose vial	0	0
MedImmune	FluMist Quad (LAIV4)	66019-0302-10	2-49 years	10 1 dose sprayers	12550	0

KSWEBIZ Trainings



Aggregate Inventory Training—Mondays at 1 p.m., First Friday at 10:30 a.m.

The Aggregate Inventory Training occurs the first Friday of every month from 10:30 -11:30 a.m. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand, Reconciliation (MIR submission) and Vaccine Ordering windows in KSWebIZ for Aggregate Users. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ Aggregate Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/6598705111102500354>

Register now for the date that works best for you!

Direct Entry Inventory Training— Tuesdays at 1 p.m., First Friday at 12 p.m.

The Direct Entry Inventory Training occurs the first Friday of every month from 12 -1 p.m. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand, Reconciliation (MIR submission) and Vaccine Ordering windows in KSWebIZ. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Entry Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/4121654947304535298>

Register now for the date that works best for you!

New User Training— Thursdays at 2 p.m., Second Friday at 12 p.m.

The New User Training occurs the second Friday of every month from 12 -1 p.m. This basic training is for new KSWebIZ users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training on how to use KSWebIZ. We will be going over log-in, adding history, administering vaccinations, printing consents and pink cards. If you are a new user, have a new token, or recently had a token transferred to you please take the time to sit in on this training! **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Register now for the date that works best for you! <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/1572841858584797442>

School Module Training- Third Friday at 12 p.m.

The School Module Training occurs the third Friday of every month from 9 - 10 a.m. This basic training is for new KSWebIZ school module users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training. **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ School Module Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/8422671756415350273>

Register now for the date that works best for you!

Reports Training- Fourth Friday at 12 p.m.

The Reports Training occurs the fourth Friday of every month from 12 - 1 p.m. This training is for KSWebIZ users who are wanting to learn more about the KSWebIZ Reports. We will be going over the various reporting sections and how to generate reports within these sections. We hope you have time to sit in on this training! **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Register now for the date that works best for you! <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/568840407867357186>

NOTE: There have been additional trainings scheduled during the week for New User Training, Direct Inventory Training and Aggregate Inventory Training. The new times can be found above and when you register and select a specific training time. If these times do not work with your schedule or you have additional training needs please reach out to the IIS trainer msims@kdheks.gov or 785-296-0687

Vaccine Information Statements–

Anthrax	3/10/10	MMRV	5/21/10
Chickenpox	3/13/08	Multi-vaccine	11/05/15
DTaP/DT/DTP	5/17/07	PCV 13	11/05/15
Hepatitis A	10/25/11	PPSV	4/24/15
Hepatitis B	2/02/12	Polio	11/8/11
Hib	4/2/15	Rabies	10/6/09
HPV (Gardasil/Cervarix)	5/17/13 and 5/03/11	Rotavirus	4/15/15
Influenza (LAIV4)	8-07-15	Shingles	10/6/09
Influenza (IIV3 or IIV4)	8-07-15	Smallpox	10/01/09
Japan. enceph.	1/24/14	Td	2/24/15
Meningococcal	10/14/11	Typhoid	5/29/12
MMR	4/20/12	Yellow fever	3/30/11
Tdap	2/24/15	HPV9	4/15/15

Vaccine Redistribution

Please email any additions or changes to be made on the Vaccine Redistribution lists with subject matter "Redistribution" to vaccine@kdheks.gov or call toll free at 1-877-296-0464

http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/vaccine_redistribution.htm

REMINDERS: Providers may place the excess doses on the KIP Redistribution list if:

- 1) The vaccine has a minimum of 90 days and a maximum of 365 days before the vaccine's expiration date;
- 2) The ordering provider is responsible for any doses which expire on the redistribution list that have not been accepted for transfer to another VFC provider;
- 3) Providers accepting vaccine from the redistribution list are responsible for using the doses once they are transferred. KIP encourages providers to accept only doses they can administer before the expiration date;
- 4) The transferring and receiving provider will document these doses on their monthly MIR/reconciliation reports as transferred vaccines.
- 5) Once vaccine is transferred please contact KIP to let us know so we can adjust the redistribution list by either deleting the line or by reducing the amount of doses.
- 6) All vaccines must be in full boxes
- 7) The KIP nurse consultant who is on call must be contacted prior to transferring vaccine
- 8) Providers are responsible for keeping KIP notified if there is a change in amount of doses available for redistribution.
- 9) When placing an order, you may be contacted if the vaccine you are trying to order is on the redistribution list.
- 10) Varicella and Proquad, will not be posted on the VFC or Private Vaccine Redistribution List. Frozen Varivax vaccines are very intolerant to out of range temperatures. To prevent potential vaccine waste the Kansas immunization Program requests that Varivax containing vaccines not be transferred to other providers. Questions regarding transporting vaccine call 877-296-0464 to request assistance.